

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Attached hereto is a complete listing of all claims in the application, with their current status listed parenthetically. By this Response, Group II claims 7-20 have been elected, with traverse, and Group I claims 1-6 have been withdrawn.

In the May 9, 2005 Restriction Requirement, the Examiner requests an election between Group I (claims 1-6), and Group II (claims 7-20).

By this Response, Applicant affirmatively elects Group II (claims 7-20) to be examined. Accordingly, Applicant withdraws Group I claims 1-6 without prejudice as non-elected claims.

However, Applicant expressly reserves his right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file one or more divisional or continuation applications directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming the benefit of this application under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the restriction requirement between the inventions of Groups I and II. There are two criteria for a proper restriction requirement, namely: 1) the inventions must be independent or distinct; and 2) there must be a serious burden on the Examiner if restriction is not required. Under M.P.E.P. § 808, the Examiner must examine the subject application on the merits even though it includes claims to distinct inventions, if the search and examination of the application can be made without serious burden. Applicant submits that a search of the art for references related to the subject matter of the claims of Group I may likely uncover references related to the subject matter of Group II, and therefore the Examiner will not be seriously burdened.

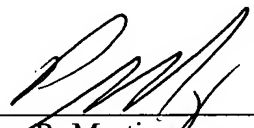
Conclusion

Applicant believes that this Response has addressed all items in the Restriction Requirement and now places the application in condition for examination. No fee is believed due with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee required to our Deposit Account No. 50-3143, in the name of Pulse-Link, Inc. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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